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*Cholera decreasing in Egypt.*CAIRO, EGYPT, *October 1, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to inclose herewith copy of a report received from the United States consular agent at Suez, regarding the cholera epidemic in his district.

Each succeeding daily bulletin received from the sanitary department continues to show a highly satisfactory decrease in the number of cases and deaths from cholera in Egypt.

Respectfully,

H. T. SMITH,

United States Vice Consul-General, In Charge.

The ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

SUEZ, EGYPT, *September 29, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that the cholera in this consular district appears to be steadily decreasing, the new cases reported during the last seven days being only 18, as compared with 40 cases the previous seven days.

The epidemic is still confined principally to the outlying quarters of the town and along the fresh-water canal, which is so low that it is almost a stagnant ditch. It is a constant source of danger to the town and to steamships requiring water for drinking purposes. Moreover, it is principally due to the present state of the fresh-water canal that the present epidemic has been so virulent in Suez, the victims during the outbreaks of 1885 and 1893 numbering less than one-quarter of those during the existing scourge.

Respectfully,

ALFRED W. HAYDEN,

United States Consular Agent.

Mr. HUBBARD T. SMITH,

United States Vice Consul-General.

GERMANY.

*Report from Berlin—Plague and cholera in various countries.*BERLIN, GERMANY, *October 11, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the latest information regarding plague and cholera, obtained from the imperial health office (Kaiserlichen-Gesundheitsamt) at Berlin:

Plague.

BRITISH INDIA.—In the Bombay Presidency during the weeks ended September 6 and September 13, there were registered 5,479 and 7,492 plague cases, with 3,932 and 5,409 deaths, respectively.

HONGKONG.—During the period from August 10 to August 30, there occurred 31 fatal plague cases among the Chinese population.

BRAZIL.—In Rio de Janeiro, 1 death from plague was registered on each of the following days, viz, September 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7.

QUEENSLAND.—One case of plague was reported during the month of August, the patient being a dock laborer in Townsville.

Plague and cholera.

BRITISH INDIA.—In Calcutta during the week ended August 30, 24 persons died of plague and 11 of cholera.

DUTCH INDIA.—During the period from August 10 to August 23, there occurred in Soerabaya 247 cholera cases and 162 deaths (13 cases and 6 deaths among Europeans).

PHILIPPINES.—Between August 1 and August 15, there were registered in Manila 361 cholera cases and 285 deaths, and in the provinces 5,950 cases, with 4,370 deaths.

CHINA—*Hongkong*.—During the period between August 10 and August 30, there occurred 46 cases of cholera. 43 of the patients being Chinese, 2 Europeans, and 1 Australian. Forty cases ended in death.

CHINA.—During the two weeks from August 4 to August 17, there were recorded in Shanghai 93 deaths from cholera among the Chinese population.

JAPAN.—During the period from August 7 to August 27, there occurred in Nagasaki 300 cases of cholera and 128 deaths. In Moji, up to August 24, there had been recorded 404 cholera cases, with 222 deaths.

Respectfully,

FRANK H. MASON,
United States Consul-General.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

HAWAII.

Outgoing quarantine transactions.

HONOLULU, H. I., *September 6, 1902.*

SIR: The following is the report of outgoing quarantine transactions at this port for the week ended September 20, 1902: Number of sailing vessels inspected and passed, 2; number of steamships inspected and passed, 3; number of cabin passengers inspected and passed, 43; number of crew inspected and passed, 543; number of pieces of baggage disinfected, 12; number of sailing vessels disinfected, 1.

Respectfully,

W. C. HOBODY,
Assistant Surgeon, In Temporary Charge.

The SURGEON GENERAL.

[Telegram.]

HONOLULU, H. I., *October 21,*
via San Francisco, Cal., October 28, 1902.

WYMAN, *Washington, D. C.:*

There was a death from plague at Honolulu on October 16.

HOBODY.

ITALY.

Report from Naples—Inspection of vessels—Plague in Odessa.

NAPLES, ITALY, *October 13, 1902.*

Week ended October 11, 1902.—Steamship *Lombardia* for New York. Nine hundred and forty-five steerage passengers and 150 pieces of large baggage inspected and passed; 1,250 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 75 steerage passengers was advised.

Smallpox at Naples.

During the week ended October 11, 1902, there were officially reported at Naples 4 cases of smallpox with no deaths.

Bubonic plague in Russia.

Under date of October 5, 1902, it was reported that during the past seven days, 8 cases of plague had appeared in Odessa outside the area previously pronounced by the Odessa sanitary committee to be infected. Five of the cases occurred in the quarters of the better class. The total